एम० आर० टी० पी० सी० की शक्तियां बढ़ाया जाना

1133. **श्री सोमपाल:** क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या हाल ही में एकाधिकार एवं प्रतिबंधात्मक व्यापार व्यवहार आयोग के कार्यवाहक अध्यक्ष एवं सदस्यों ने आयोग के अधिकारों में वृद्धि किये जाने और उन्हें अधिक प्रभावी बनाये जाने की मांग की है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस पर सरकार की प्रतिक्रिया क्या है?

विधि, न्याय तथा कम्पनी कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हंसराज भारद्वाज): (क) और (ख) एकाधिकार तथा अवरोधक व्यापारिक व्यवहार आयोग को अधिक प्रभावी बनाने के लिए इसके अधिकारों में वृद्धि किए जाने का प्रस्ताव सरकार के पास पहले से ही विचाराधीन है।

Recruitment by Railway Recruitment Board, Chandigarh

1134. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH:
SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Northern Railway have advertised the vacancies of Catering Inspector, Sr. Catering Inspector Grade in the month of December, 1986 through the Railway Recruitment Board, Chandigarh;

(b) the total number of applications submitted by the candidates and how many of them were called for test and interview;

(c) whether it is a fact that Railway Recruitment Board have made all the appointments on the basis of seniority list;

(d) the number of representations submitted by the candidates on 13 November, 1995, 22nd July, 1987 respectively for the irregularities; and

(e) what action have been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SURESH KALMADI): (a) Railway Recruitment Board, Chandigarh advertised vacancies of Catering Inspector in June, 1986.

(b) A total of 153 applications were received, out of which only 73 candidates were called for written test, and 8 candidates were called for interview.

(c) The appointments have been made by Northern Railway on the basis of panel supplied by RRB/Chandigarh.

(d) No representations have so far been received in this regard.

(e) Does not arise.

Foods for Diabetics

1135. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY: Will the MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Diabetic Foods can be imported without import licence;

(b) whether Government propose to allow import and sale of food items which may have additives (to replace fat and sugar) which are not presently covered by PFA, but allowed in the USA and the UK;

(c) what steps Government propose to take to encourage production and sale of diabetic foods; and

(d) whether it is a fact that in the USA and the UK, there are many more items to replace sugar, fat, etc., to make diabetic foods which are permitted and if so, when will our laws become global?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. R. ANTULAY): (a) to (d) Under the Export and Import Policy, 1992—1997 as amended, diabetic food is freely importable without any restriction.

This Ministry does not have information on diabetic foods marketed in U.S.A. and U.K. However, production and sale of diabetic food conforming to the provisions of Prevention of Food Adulteration Act and Rules made thereunder is not restricted in India.